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The velocity of a vessel is determined in real time by a doppler sonar sym providing acoustic beams wherein received beams provide a plurality of bins or returns from various depth segments. The frequency shift with respect to at least two different bins is determined. The velocity of the vessel with respect to each bin is determined according to the phase shift of the respective bin. The vessel velocity is determined as an average of the determined velocities of the bins along the acoustic beam. The acoustic beams are paired to form beam pairs wherein each bin in one beam of the beam pair has a corresponding bin in the other beam of the beam pair. The phase shifts of the corresponding bins are used to determine a relative frequency shift for the corresponding bins. This determination is made along the length of the beams of the beam pair and averaged. The averaged resolved ship doppler profiler velocity when compared to inertial velocities determines water current velocities. When the bin averaged doppler velocities are compared to a sliding average of the water current velocities accurate reference velocities are output in real time for inertial navigation system velocity damping. In addition the real time depth change of a ship can be measured by integrating the summed vertical velocity.

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DOPPLER VELOCITY PROFILER

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A method and apparatus is disclosed for controlling actuation of a passenger restraint system in a vehicle. The apparatus includes an accelerometer for providing a time domain vibratory electric signal having frequency components indicative of a vehicle crash condition. An A/D converter converts the accelerometer signal into a digitized signal. A fast Fourier transform device transforms the digitized time domain vibratory electric signal over at least two time intervals into frequency domain signals. The amplitudes of corresponding frequency bins of the frequency domain signals are summed over the entire frequency spectrum, bin-to-bin. A microcomputer monitors the sum of the amplitudes of at least one selected frequency bin of the frequency domain signals and actuates the passenger restraint system when the sum is greater than a predetermined threshold thereby indicating a particular type of vehicle crash is occurring.364/424.05 180/282 280/735 340/429 364/424.01 364/726

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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SENSING A VEHICLE CRASH IN REAL TIME USING A FREQUENCY DOMAIN SUMMATION ALGORITHM

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The present invention is an improved direction finding (DF) processing system using digitally implemented spectral analysis. Both phase and amplitude responses are calibrated by comparing each spectrum "bin", or portion of the frequency bandwidth, to the other receiver or receivers output. A random noise source is used, with a large number of noise waveforms being measured and averaged. The average responses are then compared. The difference for each spectrum bin is stored in a passband calibration table. When the direction of origin of a signal of interest is later calculated using the difference in spectra for each bin, the value in the calibration table is first subtracted out.364/571.05 340/870.04 342/165 342/174 364/571.07

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SIGNAL DIRECTION FINDING PROCESSOR USING FAST FOURIER TRANSFORMS FOR RECEIVER MATCHING

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A frequency-domain Fast Fourier Transform windowing device includes a plurality of input lines, each of which is coupled to a corresponding frequency bin output line of an FFT; and a memory. The memory includes address input ports connected to the input lines and an output line. The memory reads out onto the output line values read out from the locations in the memory corresponding to signals received at the address input ports. The memory has stored in it values corresponding to the convolution of samples on several of the input lines and the corresponding predetermined weighting coefficients.364/726 364/724.18
VERY-HIGH-SPEED FREQUENCY-DOMAIN FFT WINDOWING DEVICE

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A DTF receiver (10) recognizes each of a plurality of multi-frequency tones, each tone centered on a predetermined standard frequency. Two digital bandpass filters (14, 16) each have four frequency bins, each frequency bin operating according to a recursive second-order transfer function for preferentially transmitting frequencies near the standard frequencies. Each frequency bin accumulates, for each of a plurality of sampling periods, respective spectral energy signals from the input signal. A temporal energy signal is derived from the spectral energy signals. For each bandpass filter (14,16), a time-domain test template generator (30) and a frequency-domain test template generator (34) are provided to generate time-domain and frequency-domain test templates. These test templates are input to an analyzer (38) that compares the templates against data-adaptive frequency-domain and time-domain reference templates.364/485
DTMF RECEIVER

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Target velocity and range are measured with high resolution in an echo ranging system (sonar or radar) using composite Doppler invariant signals consisting of at least two segments, such as "rooftop" or "vee" HFM signals, such composite signals having ambiguity functions that intersect along the zero-velocity time axis with ridge lines slanted in different directions. A single correlator is used for each segment wherein returns from the target are correlated with replicas of each segment of the composite signal to separately transform the Doppler frequency shifts of the target return into outputs whose time relationship provides a frame of reference for high resolution measurement of the velocity of the target. The time relationship measurement is implemented by a set of tapped delay lines and coherent summers which output a coherent correlation-like detection peak in a bin which corresponds to the target's velocity. Thus, one correlator for each transmission segment together with a tapped delay line and summer network may be used for velocity detection, with high precision range detection, based upon the timing of the detection peak with respect to the transmitted signal, also being implemented at the same time, thereby avoiding the classical need for an expensive bank of correlators (one for each velocity bin) and yielding significant economies for the simultaneous high resolution measurement of range and velocity for a target by means of echo ranging. 342/109 342/108 342/189 364/724.11 364/728.06 367/100 367/102

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Echo ranging system for detecting velocity of targets using composite doppler invariant transmissions